

Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission Children's Justice Committee Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family

1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230, PHOENIX, ARIZONA 85007

A general meeting of the Arizona Juvenile Justice Commission (AJJC) Children's Justice Committee was convened on April 3, 2019, at the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family, 1700 West Washington Street, Suite 230, Phoenix. Arizona, 85007, notice having been duly given.

Members Present (9)	
Christina Schopen, Co-Chair	Leslie Quinn
Jane Kallal	Shawn Cox
Marcela Morales	Rachel Mitchell
Shefali Gandhi	Cindi Nannetti
Nicole Schuren	
Staff/Guests Present (4)	Members Absent (3)
Steve Selover, GOYFF	Donald Walker
Rebecca Chesley, GOYFF	James Molina, Co-Chair
Melissa Watkins, ADJC	Jeff Hood
Michelle Bedinghaus, Mercy Maricopa	

Call to Order

• **Ms. Christina Schopen**, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:39 p.m. with nine members and four staff and guests present.

Introductions

• Ms. Schopen, Co-Chair, asked members and staff to introduce themselves.

Approval of Minutes

- Ms. Schopen, Co-Chair, requested a motion to approve the January 30, 2019, meeting minutes.
 - Ms. Shawn Cox motioned to approve the minutes as drafted.
 - o **Dr. Shefali Gandhi** seconded the motion.
- The motion passed with no dissenting votes.

Forensic Interviewer Technical Assistance

- Ms. Schopen, Co-Chair, proposed to implement a peer review platform for dedicated forensic
 interviewers (DFIs) that would support their work by providing technical assistance and resources
 to the state's DFIs using a secure telecommunications application, such as Zoom. The ability to
 use video conferencing would provide statewide DFIs relatively easy access to shared information,
 best practices and training support so all children and families can receive the same high-quality
 services regardless of their geographic location.
- Committee members discussed potential funding sources that could support the online software needed to properly facilitate the interface.
- Ms. Cindi Nannetti stated the New Life Center may be interested in providing funding support for this project.

Forensic Interviewer Technical Assistance

- Mr. Steve Selover advised that several committee members had provided information on traumainformed care, including articles, training materials and resource lists. Due to the amount of
 information provided, Mr. Selover asked members to provide a brief description of the information
 they provided so the group could discuss its usefulness for developing a list of trauma informed
 competencies.
- Ms. Schuren described the information she contributed, which noted various sources of traumainformed care training and resources that the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) and other state agencies provide.
- **Dr. Gandhi** referred to the National Child Trauma Stress Network (NCTSN) as a source of abundant trauma-informed care resources with fact sheets and information for various audiences, including providers and families.
- Ms. Schopen, Co-Chair, proposed the committee use the fact sheets posted on the website as a
 guide for creating a document that would explain definitions of trauma-informed approaches for
 families. Ms. Schopen emphasized the need for definitions that are not technical so individuals
 outside clinical roles could interpret the information and use it to make informed decisions on
 seeking care for their children.
- **Ms. Jane Kallal** stated she appreciates the idea of targeting this information for families and using non-technical terms when possible.
- Ms. Schopen, Co-Chair, asked committee members to bring fact sheets with them during the next
 meeting with notes on what information should be included and what language should be
 discarded in a one-page document for families.

Children's Justice Grant Update

- Ms. Rebecca Chesley advised that the Children's Justice Act grant request for grant application (RFGA) solicitation will be released in the late summer/early fall of this year.
- Ms. Chesley stated that she and Ms. Nannetti will be traveling to Washington DC later this month
 to attend the Children's Justice Coordinator national meeting and the national Child Abuse
 Prevention Conference.
- Ms. Chesley announced several upcoming sexual assault related events that the Governor's
 Office of Youth, Faith and Family are presenting, including the Sexual Assault Response
 Symposium, the Faith Community Roundtable on Sexual Assault, and brown bag sessions on
 sexual assault awareness. Ms. Chelsey provided flyers to the committee for each event.

Call to the Public

• Ms. Schopen, Co-Chair, made a call to the public. There was no response to the call.

Adjournment

- Ms. Schopen, Co-Chair, requested a motion to adjourn.
 - Ms. Nannetti moved to adjourn the meeting.
 - Ms. Schuren seconded the motion.
- The motion passed with no dissenting votes. The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

Dated April 3, 2019
Children's Justice Committee
Submitted By: Steve Selover, GOYFF Program Administrator